

## Traumatic Brain Injury Program

### Program Overview

The Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) provides leadership and direction to promote employment, independence, and equality for people with traumatic brain injury (TBI). The DOR's cross-disability, independent living philosophy, and experience and expertise in administering vocational rehabilitation and independent living services provide a supportive environment to meet the growing needs of Californians with TBI. The Independent Living Section oversees the program.

Californians with a brain injury have the right to live in their community of choice and contribute to society. Available resources must empower individuals with brain injuries to be participating citizens. Inclusion of individuals with brain injuries is essential to our social and economic success.



### Services

Each local TBI site provides five core services to individuals who have sustained a brain injury.

- Community Reintegration
- Supported Living
- Vocational Supportive Services
- Information and Referral
- Public and Professional Education

### Facts

- On January 1, 2010, AB 398 transferred the California Traumatic Brain Injury Program from the Department of Mental Health to the Department of Rehabilitation.
- The California Traumatic Brain Injury Fund and DOR support seven TBI Program sites in California.
- In 2009-2010, TBI sites served 861 individuals with Community Reintegration services, 372 with Supported Living services, 179 with Vocational Supportive services, and 3,902 with Information and Referral services; 5,385 family and/or community members were educated on brain injury issues.